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SUBJECT: Wildlife Management Hunting Policy

1. REFERENCES:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 200-1, 13 December 2007, Environmental Protection and Enhancement.
- b. USFK Regulation 27-5, 9 July 2015, Legal Services, Individual Conduct and Appearance.
- 2. <u>PURPOSE:</u> To establish responsibilities and procedures for wildlife management hunting program to control wildlife animal damage within USAG Yongsan Casey installations.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES:

- a. Garrison Commander. Prescribes policies and procedures for the Garrison wildlife management hunting program.
 - b. Installation Natural Resources Coordinator (NRC) will:
- (1) Establish installation wildlife management hunting plan which defines procedures for the humane capture, management and disposition of wild animal;
- (2) Identify and delineate responsibilities of installation activities such as, but not limited to, Directorate of Emergency Services (DES), Directorate of Public Works (DPW) Pest Control, Safety and Public Affairs Office (PAO) which are required for the implementation of this program;
- (3) Coordinate, as appropriate, with local animal control agencies, shelters or rescue agencies to augment and assist the installation in humanely and safely managing of wild animals on the installations;

- (4) Establish, as appropriate, procedure(s) between the installation and local animal control agencies, shelters and rescue agencies to pick up or receive the transfer of wild animals captured on the installation.
 - c. DPW Operation and Maintenance Personnel will:
- (1) DPW work order notifies Pest Control Shop and Environmental Division during normal duty hours or through the Fire Department after duty hours as appropriate;
- (2) Investigate and repair fence to avoid wild animals from going into the installations from outside;
- (3) Place and maintains traps at the locations where wild animals have done damage or been roaming.
 - d. Directorate of Emergency Services (DES) will:
- (1) Initially respond when necessary to emergency reports of wild boar in areas such as barracks and administration/office areas to protect personnel from uncontrolled wildlife animal attacks by safely restraining the animal;
- (2) Use appropriate force, in accordance with regulations, policies, and procedures, including lethal force, as necessary, when wild boar threatens the health, life, or safety of personnel on the installation. These measures may have to be taken if the animal appears to be aggressive or attacks and cannot be restrained without possible injury to emergency service enforcement or installation personnel;
- (3) Provide oversight if or when shooting or darting operations are to be conducted to ensure public safety;
- (4) Escort local animal control agencies to hunt wild animals and to remove captured or hunted animals from the installation.
 - e. Training Supporting Activities, Korea (TSAK) will:
- (1) Provide a list of range areas available for hunting to Environmental Division, DPW at least 30 days in advance;
- (2) Make training areas available for hunting unless training schedule is conflicted with hunting days.

f. Garrison Safety

- (1) Reviews and advises Garrison Commander on safety aspects of the USAG Yongsan Casey managed hunting program;
- (2) Includes countermeasures in the safety program that will reduce the number of vehicle/wild animal accidents;
- (3) Assists the hunting council with the risk assessment of proposed hunting areas, methods of harvest, access lanes, and boundaries;
 - (4) Provide hunting safety training for local hunters.
- g. SJA. The Office of the Staff Judge Advocate (OSJA) may provide administrative and criminal law support.
- h. Public Affairs Office (PAO) will publicize Garrison's procedures and hunting plans controlling wild animals on the installations.
- 4. General Hunting Requirements. USAG Yongsan Casey conducts a managed hunting program with local animal control agencies. All persons participating in the hunting program on the installation shall comply with USFK Regulation 27-5 and ROK hunting laws.
- a. The Environmental, DPW will coordinate with TSAK Range Control to determine the availability of areas. Areas opened or closed for hunting will be announced by posting information at hunting area and TSAK Range Control.
- b. All hunters must meet following requirements and will have appropriate identification in their possession while hunting and display them upon request to any person authorized to enforce the laws and regulations referred to or prescribed in this plan:
 - (1) All hunters must have a valid hunting license issued by local.
- (2) All hunters must comply with hunter education and safety requirement IAW ROK, Ministry of Environment (MOE).
 - (3) All hunters have a hunting liability insurance.

- (4) All hunters must pass an ROK proficiency test issued by ROK, Ministry of Security and Home Administration and their qualifications should be recertified every 5 years.
- (5) All weapons must be registered in ROK, Ministry of Security and Home Administration.
- (6) All hunters must complete USAG Yongsan Casey safety hunter education course.
- (7) All hunters and any person accompanying a hunter are required to wear appropriate Personal Protection Equipment (PPE).
- 5. Boundary Definition. Hunting boundary will be subject to annual review as directed by the hunting council or Environmental Quality Control Committee (EQCC). USAG Yongsan Casey defines main hunting areas as described below;

Training Areas; November, Papa and Land Navigation Course, Oscar, Romeo A/B Quebec and Mike

- 6. Days Open to Hunting. Authorized hunting days and hours will be determined after coordination with related organizations. These days normally occur year round except special occasions in ROK.
- 7. Scheduling Hunting Days. Wildlife Management Hunting Council (WMHC) schedules hunting days through DPTMS, DES and Training Support Activity of Korea (TSAK).
- a. These days must be scheduled as early as possible each year in order to preserve the referenced hunting days and avoid training conflicts. To better support training, these days do not need to be scheduled consecutively.
- b. Recreational Hunting days USAG Yongsan Casey doesn't consider recreational hunting due to safety consideration.
- c. Wildlife Management Hunting Days These days are specific to wild boar hunting and represent days specifically scheduled on the range areas when wild boar harvesting opportunity is maximized.
- 8. Hunting time Hunting before sunrise or after sunset is prohibited. Only training areas that directly support hunting must be scheduled through 8 Army TSAK.

- 9. Authorized Weapons. Hunters will not use a shotgun larger than 10 gauge or smaller than .410 gauge.
- 10. Prohibited Activities. All hunters will not:
 - a. Hunt unauthorized game;
 - b. Take eggs, fledglings, or young animals from their natural habitats;
 - c. Shoot across roads or from vehicles, vessels, or aircraft;
 - d. Hunt migratory fowl from power-driven boats;
 - e. Hunt game birds with any firearm other than a shotgun;
 - f. Use a shot size smaller than U.S. Standard number 9;
 - g. Hunt with poisons, explosives, traps, pitfalls, or other similarly dangerous devices;
 - h. Use or possess any alcoholic beverage or illegal drugs and;
 - i. Hunt outside of the permitted time;
- 11. Safety Requirements
- a. All hunters on USAG Yongsan Casey property must complete a hunter safety course or equivalent IAW AR 215-1;
 - b. The safety of all weapons must be engaged until ready to fire;
- c. All hunters and any person accompanying a hunter are required to wear appropriate Personal Protection Equipment (PPE);
 - d. All weapons may only be used in designated areas.
- 12. Access Control, Check-in/Check-out Process
 - a. All hunters must be escorted to access the installation;
- b. Vehicle control card will be provided at time of escorting and displayed in the vehicle window when parked. The cards will be turned in at the end of each hunt;

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- c. In order to promote safety and accountability of personnel, everyone must sign out before entering hunting area;
- d. Radios will be provided at time of sign out and need to be carried all the time while hunting.
- 13. Wildlife Management Hunting Council (WMHC). The primary purpose of the hunting council is to establish and maintain a safe and proactive hunting program on USAG Yongsan Casey. The hunting council also:
- a. Addresses and makes recommendations to the Garrison Commander or delegated representative for improvements in the hunting program;
 - b. Ensures timely approval of hunting regulation updates and changes;
 - c. Schedules hunting days;
- d. Consists of a representative from DPTMS, DES, Safety, Environmental, DPW and TSAK. A representative from the Staff Judge Advocate (SJA) may be included as an advisor to the council.
- 14. Carcass Disposal. Local Wild Animal Control Agency provides humane disposal of hunted wild boars IAW guidance set by ROK Hunting Laws and all harvested will be taken to off-post.
- 15. Point of contact for this memorandum is Chief, Environmental Division, DPW, USAG Yongsan Casey at DSN 724-6151.

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